



Tears of Fire.



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The smell of smoke fills my nose suddenly. I wake up quickly and see that my room is now covered in smoke. I start to panic as I see the orangey-yellow glow down the hallway. "Mom?!" I scream, trying not to inhale the thick, dark, clouds.

I jump out of bed and run down the hallway frantically. I look around for my sister, but I can't see anything.

"Help! Please!" I hear from another room. "Bradlynn! Where are you!" I scream hysterically. "Answer me!" I yell through my tears. The fire is closing in on me, and my exits are becoming very limited. "Ken-" Bradlynn's voice is cut off with a loud shriek and then a sudden thump. I see a flash of her chestnut brown hair fall to the ground, with her body. "No no no NO NO!" I say and run towards her.

I jump over burning chairs, and dodge falling bookshelves, until finally I am met with her stiff body. "I have to get you out of here," I said quickly and scooped her up into my arms. I looked at her ash covered face and whispered, "Don't worry little sis, I'll get us out of here." I was now not

tearful, but filled with determination to find a way out. I glanced around the room and concluded that I was stuck.

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"Wait!" I said to myself, as I saw a window, that was sealed closed. I frantically look around the room, and then I see mom's old rocking chair. I looked down

at Bradlynn's stiff and unconscious body one last time. I could feel the heat intensifying and the air thickening.

Quickly I hurry to the rocking chair and as soon as I touch the chair, I think of mom, and a tear falls from my face. I know that this is what mom would want me to do. I shake my head trying to keep focused and off of mom. I pick up the wooden chair and threw it as hard as I could, but the window didn't break. I look at the door as more and more thick and ashy air was filling the room rapidly. I picked up the chair a second time and took a step back then I threw the chair as hard as I could. Finally, the glass shatters.

I reach down to grab Bradlynn's body. I grab her arms and pull as hard as I could, we were almost to the window. I heard a scream, and another one after that, it sounded like a women.

"Hello? Is anybody in here? If you're in here please yell something back!" I yell into the hallway.

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